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**"YE SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE"**

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**L**A FOLLETTE'S was established to aid in bringing government back to the people. For years wealth in combination has ruled in Congress and in the capitals of the country. The vote of the citizen is nullified by legislation enacted at the behest of Special Interest. The people are sacrificed to party solidarity.

March fourth, President Roosevelt committed the great work of his administration, finished and unfinished, to his successor. President Taft formed a new cabinet, some of whom had not been in sympathy with that work. He aided in the election of Cannon as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Cannon, Aldrich, and their associates, became his close advisers on legislation. It was a bad beginning. It has borne bitter fruit in tariff revision upward, with advancing prices already productive of popular revolt.

It has brought upon the administration in its first year charges against the Secretary of the Interior in connection with coal land steals of a magnitude unparalleled in the history of public plundering. The people are not satisfied with the tariff legislation. They are shocked at the charges made in the Alaskan coal scandal.

They have not lost faith yet. They are still waiting --- hoping.

But the people of the country are progressive --- East as well as West. They will tolerate no retreat, no halt, no compromise on progressive policies.

LA FOLLETTE'S will support the President in every effort which he puts forth to secure legislation in the public interest.

We, too, are waiting --- hoping. Out of the stirring events of the year --- out of the fight over the speakership and the House rules; out of the invasion of the West by Aldrich and Cannon; out of the sugar trust disclosures; out of the fight to protect public lands from private monopolies; out of the passage of the new tariff law, --- out of all these has developed Insurgency --- the insurgency of the People of the United States whenever it appears that progressive policies are in danger; insurgency against the selfish control of government by Big Business. Government by the people is stronger in the Senate and in the House of Representatives today than it was a year ago.

It will be stronger a year hence. Between now and next November a new Congress must be elected. The fight will be carried into every congressional district --- to your very doors. The outcome of these contests will depend upon the part you play in them. It will determine the advance made in the year 1910 in the movement to restore a people's government.

Every state is calling for men --- real men who are not afraid. You will have a hand in your own contest. It will be a hard fight in every district, in every state. The System is desperate. Its very existence depends upon the outcome.

In this protracted struggle, LA FOLLETTE'S will fearlessly speak the truth as to men and measures. As was said in the first issue: "No eminence of position in party or government shall protect a servant of the people from deserved criticism, and its approval will be gladly given to all who commend themselves to it by brave and right action in any party or place."

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